

# **KEMSA Support Program**

#### Objective

KEMSA Support Program (KSP) is a USAID contract running from May 2011 to May 2013 to strengthen the commodity management system at the Kenya Medical Supplies Agency (KEMSA).

# **Project status**

The program began its operation on May 2011. Deloitte Consulting, LLP (US) is the lead implementing partner, in collaboration with Phillips Healthcare Services, the University of Nairobi, Deloitte Consulting Limited Kenya, and Deloitte Consulting South Africa. The program will collaborate with other Supply Chain Programmers in the country to enhance KEMSA's capacity to serve Kenya's healthcare facilities.

# **Key activities**

KSP goal is to support KEMSA to strengthen its ability to provide client sites throughout the country with the right quantity of quality commodities, and in a timely manner, for effective service provision. The program has five key result areas:

- Strengthening KEMSA's Operational Mandate:
   To ensure a firmer foundation in law for
   KEMSA and its operations, KSP will facilitate
   the drafting and advocating for enactment of an
   Act of Parliament that will allow efficient and
   effective operations of KEMSA and its ability to
   deliver on its mandate.
- Strengthening KEMSA's governance architecture and practice: KSP will support the KEMSA Board to ensure it has the necessary skill set in corporate governance and management, internal policies and a robust constitutional framework to operate effectively. KEMSA will also be strengthened to meet donors specific and other standard contracting requirements especially in improving its financial and procurement, transparency and accountability.
- Strengthening KEMSA's inventory management and tracking systems: KSP will strengthen KEMSA's inventory management system; support the development and rollout of a commodity management system, and provide staff with the necessary skills. The Program aims to have a KEMSA that can

- effective plan, ensure sustainability, full transparency and accountability for all stock it receives and distributes throughout the country.
- Strengthening KEMSA's warehousing and distribution systems: KSP will support KEMSA to address its own identified needs, including infrastructure improvements, skills development of core staff, and operational budget support.
- Support KEMSA to develop, implement and monitor a performance management plan. KSP will assist KEMSA to develop and successfully implement measure and report on a clear operational plan that can inform optimal procurement and distribution of adequate quantities of quality health commodities to meet demand in the public, and eventually the private, sector.

### **Expected Results**

KSP will validate the current status across KEMSA's work streams, measure gaps against leading practices and implement targeted solutions in close collaboration with counterparts and stakeholders to allow KEMSA to deliver more effectively, efficiently and have a sustainable commodity procurement, warehousing and distribution services to client health facilities throughout the country and create a more unified, integrated and responsive national supply chain.

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